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SUBJECT: PROPOSED VISIT TO WEST POINT BY NIGERIAN DEFENSE ACADEMY
TEAM

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1; CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSION REACTION TO SUGGESTION THAT ORDER OF U.S. AND CANADIAN VISITS BE REVERSED WAS NEGATIVE. CANADIANS TOLD DATT THAT EARLY SEPTEMBER VISIT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE AND THAT THEY HAVE RECEIVED NO WORD FROM OTTAWA INDICATING THAT DEFENSE ACADEMY TEAM CAN VISIT CANADA ANYTIME IN SEPTEMBER. BRITISH HAVE INFORMED NIGERIANS THAT SEPTEMBER VISIT TO UK WOULD BE INCONVENIENT AND HAVE PROPOSED OCTOBER VISIT. NIGERIANS NOW CONSIDERING AN ITINERARY WHICH WOULD PUT THEM IN U.S. AND CANADA FIRST HALF OF SEPTEMBER, INDIA SECOND HALF AND UK IN EARLY OCTOBER.

2. TO ASSIST US IN RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES THIS END IT WOULD BE HELPFUL HAVE PRELIMINARY REACTION OF DOD/WEST POINT TO PROPOSED VISIT DATES (REFTEL B). IF IT APPEARS THAT SEPTEMBER WILL PROVE INCONVENIENT, WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE INFORM NIGERIANS AND OUR HIGH COMMISSION COLLEAGUES OF THAT FACT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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